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### MISCELLANEOUS SPORTS.

The pacer Sam Bowers, 2:11, is to be tried as a trotter.

Bill Coughlin will probably be appointed captain of the Detroit team.

Pitcher Leon Ames has signed his contract with the New York Giants.

Joseph Bennett, at one time billiard champion of England, died recently.

Philadelphia has traded Shortstop Hulsitt to Columbus for Catcher Abbott.

James R. Keene wants second call on Herbert Phillips, the Jockey, for the coming season.

Pittsburg is going to join the Lake Erie circuit as a forerunner to the grand circuit meeting in 1906.

It is reported that George E. Smith, the famous turf plunger, who died recently, left an estate of about \$2,000,000.

The pacer Tobasco, 2:24½, by Direct, 2:05½, dam Pepper Sauce, by Onward, is now the property of W. E. Lake, Wilmington, Del.

Manager Nichols, of St. Louis, has turned down Arthur Irwin's appeal for the return to Kansas City of the drafted catcher, Butler.

Manager Armour, of the Detroit, would like to secure Catcher Eddie McFarland from Chicago, but Comiskey refuses to talk business.

At Tonawanda, N. Y., recently Pete Tilden and Harry Easton wrestled two hours, after which the contest was declared a draw.

By winning the one-mile-and-a-half handicap scratch in 16 minutes 57 3-5 seconds, at New York recently, D. C. Munson, of Cornell, beat the previous indoor record for this distance by 10 seconds.

## INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS

—PICKED UP THROUGHOUT—

## THE THEATRICAL FIELD

Professionals Are Invited to Send Paragraphs of Their Doings For Publication on This Page.

GAZETTE HALF-TONE PHOTOGRAPHS ARE POPULAR.

Marie Dressler Makes a Big Hit in Vaudeville---Harry Hastings and Viola Sheldon Are Meeting With Success---Gossip.

Smith and Fuller will hereafter be known as Theodore F. Smith and Jenny St. George.

Leid Miller closed at Oshkosh, Wis., having a very successful engagement over the Bijou circuit.

Viola McGibeny, of the Fadettes, has joined the Noss musical act, which is with "The Seminary Girl" Company.

Allen and Bright are still with the Murray Comedy Company, as one of the vaudeville features, and report success.

Kosiusko and Smith have many return dates for their acrobatic act. They played two weeks at the Proctor houses.

A new theatre is being built by Emmet C. Keane, formerly of the "Quincy Adams Sawyer" Company, at South Bend, Ind.

Goodwin and Goodwin have closed five months of work in the South, and have gone West, where they have good time booked.

Gus Leonard, late of the team of Leonard and Leonard, has formed a partnership with the musical team, Holmes and Dean, and will hereafter be

Feldman and Ball, dancers and singers, are in their twenty-third week as a vaudeville feature with Dick Ferris' Grace Hayward Company.

The Blodgett Sisters opened on the Keith circuit in Pittsburg, with the Maryland, Baltimore, Md., to follow. Their act is doing well.

Potter and Hartwell, formerly of Four Silvinis, met with success in their head balancing act recently at the Grand Opera House, Pittsburg.

The Brittons, who are well known in vaudeville as the cleverest colored singing and dancing team on the stage, write in to say that the hit of their



CARLOTTA.

She Doesn't Look as if She Had Nerve, but She is the Only Woman who Has Ever Successfully Looped-the-Loop on a Bicycle.

act is Ted Barron's latest hit, "Honey I'm Waiting." This song never fails to bring from three to four encores at every performance.

Harry O'Dell and Ollie Hart have closed twenty weeks at the Capital Music Hall, Helena, Mont., where Harry O'Dell was the manager.

Probasco, the juggler, is in his twenty-sixth week with Marks Brothers' Dramatic Company, making his second season with that company.

Osborne and Wallace report fine success with their new burlesque travesty act, and have good time booked ahead. They have also signed for next season.

Arthur Griffith Hughes, the baritone, has been engaged to appear in a musical sketch staged by Alvino, to be put on at Keith's, with Bessie and Beatrice Gray.

La Noveta, in private life known as Helen B. J. Dunwoodie, of Providence R. I., has developed into a toe dancing wonder at Alvino's School in the Grand Opera House.

The Electric Comedy Four (Thomas Merrick, Karl Gath, Charles E. Stutzman and George W. Kerr) are booked in their twenty-fourth week with the "Happy Hooligan" Company (Eastern), and are the feature act with the show. They are booked solid, with their own show, next season, in the New England parks.

In all the history of burlesque at that world-famed house of laughter, Weber's Music Hall, no such striking contrast has been presented in one performance as the two characters now portrayed by Marie Dressler in the two pieces which comprise the offering of Joe Weber's All Star Stock Company in "Higgledy Piggledy." She plays Philopena Schnitz, the pampered thirty-year-old daughter of a Milwaukee Mustard King. In the "College Widower," the best and brightest of all the many burlesque hits Mr. Weber has produced, she is Tilly Buttin, a half-back, the

daughter of Mrs. Hiram Buttin, the Hash Queen, a poor, uneducated, neglected girl of seventeen, who is so bashful she can hardly walk. And each portrayal is a work of art.

Gussie Nelson and her Twelve Military Girls, are booked for a four weeks' engagement at the



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MISS PEMBROKE.

What a Following the United States Army Would Have if all the Soldiers were Like the Little Lady in the above Picture.

Pavilion, London, opening July 24, with twenty weeks on the Continent to follow. They will go into vaudeville at the close of the season of "McFadden's Flats."

The Boys in Blue Company played a successful engagement at the Empire Theatre, Hoboken, N. J. They play several other dates before starting on their European tour.

Garden and Somers will not separate at the end of the present season, as has been reported, but will join hands with Mr. Ernie. The name of the act will be Garden, Somers and Ernie.

Barney First, eccentric Hebrew comedian, who is meeting with big success presenting his new eccentric Hebrew singing and dancing act on the Western circuit, will open on the Kohl & Castle circuit on April 17.

Willie and Edith Hart are in their nineteenth week with the Billy B. Van "Errand Boy" Company, and report meeting with big success with their singing and dancing specialty. Edith Hart is playing soubrette.

The Aherns, novelty acrobats, have finished four weeks over the Kohl & Castle circuit, and jumped to Seattle, Wash., where they will play five weeks on the Lang circuit. On March 12 they open for forty weeks through California.

James T. Crowley has joined hands with James J. Carney. The team will be known as Crowley and Carney, and they will do the same act that was formerly done by Carr and Crowley, entitled "My Wife's Husband's Friend."

Billy Walsh, of Walsh and Starr, who are now in repertoire with Summer's Stock Company, is featuring Feist and Barron's "Honey I'm Waiting." Mr. Walsh writes in to say that "Honey I'm Waiting" is his greatest applause winner.

McCune and Grant (Frank and May) in their comedy acrobatic and horizontal bar act, have closed a pleasant and successful engagement of twenty-four consecutive weeks on the Lang circuit. They will return West in a short time.

Harry Hastings and Viola Sheldon, who are now with the Little Egypt Burlesquers, are meeting with much success in their rendition of "While the Band Was Playing Dixie" and "In Sunny Africa," both of which songs are published by Leo Feist.

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VIOLETTE PEARL.

A Charming Young Woman Performer whose Voice Gives Promise of a Great Future.

known as Leonard, Holmes and Dean, The Odd Comedy Musical Trio, in a new and original act, "The German Musical Professor and His Two Pupils."

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# HOW TRICKY WRESTLERS

—AGAINST THEIR OWN INTERESTS—

## DECEIVE THE PUBLIC

It is a Very Easy and Simple Matter for Two Men to Agree to Fake a Bout.

### GRAPPLING MATCHES ARE FREQUENTLY PREARRANGED

There are Many Methods Employed by Unscrupulous Mat Artists to Delude a Sport Loving People.

The wrestlers—good and bad—who are looking to the public for their cakes these days are going to have a hard time of it unless they institute a sort of reform movement, and cut out some of the fakes which have hitherto punctuated the game. There is no reason except that why it should not be as popular as boxing.

In some instances wrestling is just as exciting, just as nerve racking and just as absorbing as pugilism, but it is more susceptible to trickery and artifice. A wrestler can give a spectator the impression that he is doing all in his power to win, when at the same time he may be only humbugging. He can fall on his back in a graceful way without creating any suspicion, unless his movements are too brazen or transparent. Even then the spectator may be deceived provided the man on top accomplishes the fall in a skillful manner.

A hold that is the favorite grasp of the dishonest wrestler is the half Nelson and hammer lock. In a fair and square match, provided that both men are equally matched, these locks are hard to obtain. A wrestler is invariably taught how to avoid and how to get them. If he is apt he will become adept in applying the holds and executing a good counter. So in a match, if a grappler has his man in such a position, especially if there is a previous understanding, the upper man can make it appear to the crowd that he is striving with might and main to win, and the under man that he is trying to escape. The aggressor will endeavor to force his opponent down and go through a lot of movements that appear to the uninitiated to require the exercise of all his strength and muscle. The under man will squirm, wriggle and toss until he is finally conquered. The spurious efforts of both work up the onlookers, and to the uninitiated the struggle has all the earmarks of being genuinely decided.

If a boxer wants to fake it, he has either to go down from a light jolt on the jaw or on the stomach, quit from a supposed foul or get one of his seconds to enter the ring while the bout is in progress, which is sure to invite immediate disqualification from a referee who understands his business. But all this must be artistically done before the spectators will be convinced that there is nothing amiss, a difficult proceeding at all times in the ring, for the least false movement will give immediate rise to suspicion and cause a howl.

Wrestlers who strive to win by hook or crook have various devices to fall back on. For instance, there is the old method of employing confederates or ready made opponents. These are men prepared to fill any gap in case a champion calls upon a rival to meet him when the former is tackling all comers at some theatre or hall. The premier wrestler usually has two or three such emergency men on his staff at a good salary. They travel around the country with him, but are shrewd enough to cover their tracks, so as to avoid any sign of wrongdoing. These confederates as a rule appear in advance of the champion and at once win the confidence of some of the leading sports of the city where the "champion" is to appear. If the confederate is suave and clever enough to induce the sport to back him, well and good. If not, he at least succeeds in proving that he is a capable opponent, a bit of information which the confederate sees becomes public property. This helps to advertise him and incidentally increase the box office receipts.

On the night of the performance the confederates take a position near the stage, and when the "champion" appears and makes the announcement that he is ready to meet all comers and give anybody \$50 or \$100 who can stand fifteen minutes before him the confederate arises, accepts the challenge, and, if he does not go on at once, makes a match for the following night, just as the management deems proper. Sometimes the "champion" allows his man to remain the time limit and makes the bout look like the real thing by handing him the money for staying in the presence of the crowd or else throws him in a hurry. The bouts are lively and cause plenty of excitement.

A dozen years ago a champion Graeco-Roman wrestler had one of his confederates with him all the time. The man was a Greek, but could speak fluently in five languages. In every city where the Graeco-Roman artist appeared, his partner was styled as a champion of some foreign country. One night he was the Horrible Greek, the next the Terrible Jew, the next the Unquenchable Turk, and the next the Never to be downed Russian. To make good if called upon he could explain his willingness to wrestle in the mother tongue of the country he was supposed to represent. The Greek made a hit, and by losing, which he had to of course, he helped to swell the record of his employer, who by the end of the season had conquered almost every champion at wrestling from nearly every country on the face of the map.

The boil gag, the latest wrinkle introduced by H. H. Egeberg, the Dane, is new as far as the location of the blood eruption is concerned. Formerly it used to be about the knees. But as this entailed too much trouble to convince the public that it really handicapped the wrestler it was shifted to either the shoulder or the arms. Sometimes a wrestler would enter the ring with his knees encased in voluminous folds of surgical ban-

dages. If the grappler wore trunks the wound would not be exposed until after the match had been completed and the "unfortunate" man had lost. Some wrestlers really suffer from water on the knees caused by constant work on the mat. The injury is painful if not attended to at once, but can be effectively cured with a week's rest.

Not long ago at a Brooklyn theatre a wrestler, well known for his lack of scruples, employed the police to help him in bringing off one of the most audacious

handicap match. After twenty minutes had passed without anything of moment occurring and no victor was in sight one of the wrestlers whispered to his antagonist that it was time to quit.

"It's about time that your arm got broken, isn't it?" said the wrestler to his man. "Hurry up. You know I've got to win as you promised."

His antagonist gathered his memory together and in a jiffy fell on his back. When the referee announced that the contest was over the fallen man jumped to his feet with as much grace and strength as he could muster and explained to the crowd why he lost. He raised his supposedly injured arm, and exposed it to the spectators. There was a look of intense pain on his face and he would have succeeded with the ruse had he displayed any kind of intelligence. A few of the sports were sceptical as to the accident and wished to be further convinced. So the supposedly injured man brought his apparently damaged arm into view. But this time he showed the right arm instead of the left, which he had originally exposed. The mistake was a costly one and he was driven from the stage with shouts of derision and laughter.

Smearing a wrestler's body with grease or oil by the seconds is an old and unfailing trick. It is not done so much nowadays, because the referees insist that every wrestler must enter the ring with his body dry and smooth. Not so long ago a wrestler up the State introduced a trick that came near resulting in a tragedy. Before the bout the wrestler saturated his crop of hair, which was unusually flourishing, with a pungent and dangerous liquid. He made it his business to get down on all fours in a hurry so as to let his rival get on top. In trying for a hold, a half Nelson, the under wrestler's opponent came in contact with the liquid and the fumes caused him to become nauseated. It also made him groggy and in a little while unconscious, causing him to lose the match. The crowd thought that he had collapsed from too much exertion and it was some time before he came to.

When the trick was discovered the victorious



**BOWLING FOR THE POLICE GAZETTE \$500 DIAMOND MEDAL.**

John Piening, the Champion Greco-Roman Wrestler, at Joe Thum's White Elephant Alleys during the Recent Tournament for the Richard K. Fox Trophy. This Annual Contest for the Handsomest Emblem Ever Offered has Attracted the Experts all Over the Country and is Responsible for the Keen Competition.

fakes known in years. He was meeting all comers, and his opponent, picked from the audience for the purpose, was his partner. They were to have met for fifteen minutes at catch-as-catch-can style. The unsuspecting crowd cheered the "comer" and gave him all its sympathy, as is natural. The challenger used rough house tactics to make the bout interesting, but overdid the thing to such an extent that the spectators began to hurl missiles at him and turned the theatre into a temporary scene of riot and confusion. The curtain was lowered immediately. Behind the footlights the match was continued, only that the contestants, instead of wrestling, used their fists. The police were called in and the belligerents were arrested, only to be discharged with a reprimand. The event got into the newspapers, the wrestlers received the necessary advertisement and the incident was only forgotten after the challenger had completed his engagement. It is said that the police knew that the affair was prearranged and that the supposed "comer" was really the challenger's partner.

Another wrestler who tried to fool a fake on the public only failed because his rival made a blunder at the last moment. Two third rate mat artists met in a

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## OUR HALFTONE PHOTOS.

Good group photographs will always be used in the "Police Gazette."

On page 4 of this issue will be found some of the best female theatrical talent now before the public. They're all shapely and charming.

Some excellent pictures of three of the finest automobiles that recently took part in the races at Ormond Beach, Florida, will be found on page 8.

Jack Everhardt, whose record as a boxer is one to be proud of, is now a prosperous saloon keeper, and owns the Long Acre Cafe, at Forty-seventh street and Broadway.

The Brillion Bowling League is composed of the enthusiastic bowlers in a small Wisconsin town of less than 1,000 inhabitants. Its members are recruited from all classes—merchants, doctors, farmers and laboring men, and every man knows how it feels to pass the 200 mark, although the alley has been in existence less than eighteen months.

The soldiers who are on the winning baseball team of Company E, Sixth United States Infantry, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., are: Sergt. Pitts, pitcher; Corpl. Ford, cf.; Sergt. Weaver, lf.; Sergt. Frossard, 2b.; Corpl. Fordyce, rf.; Priv. Sowers, 3b.; Sergt. Lydens, lb.; Sergt. Bomar, c. and captain; Corpl. Ferrin, ss.; Priv. Dowd, p.; Sergt. Beattie, manager, and Corpl. Seitz, official scorer.

William A. Tierney, Jr., call hoseman, of Steamer No. 5, Albany, N. Y., is one of the bravest as well as one of the most fearless of the members of the Albany fire department. He has been a member of the Albany department for seven years. Tierney has a record of having saved three lives at the greatest personal risk. He will soon be heard of as head of one of the Albany fire companies.

When time hangs heavy on the hands of the soldiers at Fort Assiniboine, Mont., they manage to find some amusement. On another page will be seen a photograph taken especially for the POLICE GAZETTE. The men are members of Troop I, Third Cavalry, and those in the picture are Buckley, Wolry, Dale, Dvorak, Shell, Fields, Voglilous, Gruenelberg, Davey, Rystrom, Reynolds and Hofman.

### A CLEAN BOWLING SCORE.

For the second time in the history of bowling a 300 score was made at Toledo, O., on Feb. 7, by Fred Albrecht, a member of the Troquois team. Every strike was clean and perfect. The Troquois team has rolled the biggest team total of the year, a score of 3,166, in a match game.

### O'BRIEN DIDN'T DRAW.

Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Fred Cooley struck a frost at Chester, Pa., on Feb. 7. The men were to have boxed before the Broadway A. C., but not more than two hundred sports assembled in the National Hall and the show was called off by the management, the money being refunded at the box office. It was announced that no more boxing would be conducted there, as the patronage is not sufficient to warrant it.

### COLEMAN AGAINST TWO MEN.

Tommy Coleman stacked up against two men in the ring at the Manayunk A. C., Philadelphia, Feb. 5, taking on each opponent for three rounds. Coleman essayed to best each man inside of nine minutes, but failed on both occasions.

Billy Berger was his first opponent, and he gave Coleman a big surprise by giving as good as he received. Coleman had no apparent advantage when the bell ended the third round.

Kid Fredericks then went on, and for one round looked like a winner. He sent Coleman to the floor for the count, but failing to follow up his advantage he missed an opportunity of winning right then and there. After that Fredericks lost his nerve and during the second and third rounds Tommy won as he pleased.

### AFTER THE MEDAL.

Nellie De Vean, the clever Brooklyn wooden shoe buck dancer, who made such a great showing at Tammany Hall, New York, in the contest for the POLICE GAZETTE medal, is of the opinion that she can beat Miss Ida Chadwick, the winner of the coveted trophy, and she issues a challenge to meet her any time.

Miss De Vean has an enviable reputation as a buck and wing dancer, and her act has invariably attracted considerable attention.

Miss Lulu Beeson, the holder of the POLICE GAZETTE champion soft shoe buck dancing trophy for 1904-5, is still trying to clinch a match with Miss Chadwick who she is confident she can easily defeat.

### A PRIVATE KNOCKOUT.

Tommy Moran, the fighting Irishman of Brooklyn, took all the fight out of Charley Smith, of Long Island, on Feb. 6, in the third round with a left jab to the face and a right swing to the jaw. After Moran had delivered his sleep-producer Smith took to the floor, where he was counted out by Jim Gleason, the Ninth Ward sporting man of Brooklyn, and carried to his corner unconscious by his handlers.

### DALY AND HANLON DRAW.

Andy Daly and Jimmy Hanlon, of Boston, fought six whirlwind rounds at Portland, Me., on Feb. 6, each doing his best to make a chopping block of the other. Hanlon hit in clinches and swung like a windmill, but Daly's superior ring generalship and cleverness evened matters, and he exchanged blow for blow. The result was a draw.

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GILDA, WHO IS A FAVORITE IN PARIS.



VERGIE NEVILLE, OF AL REEVES' BIG SHOW.



ADELE VERLY, A PARISIAN SONGSTRESS.



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DAINTY MISS DUNBAR, A BURLESQUER.



EVELYN PORTER, WITH LILLIAN RUSSELL.



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MISS HUBER, A TALENTED VOCALIST.



ROSE CARLIN, CLEVER SOUBRETTE.



DAISY RUSSELL, SONG AND DANCE ARTISTE OF THE BUSHWICK (BROOKLYN) STOCK COMPANY.

IN THE THEATRICAL ROSE GARDEN.

ON THIS PAGE THE ENTHUSIAST WILL FIND BEAUTY, TALENT AND PERFECT PROPORTIONS.





CHAMPIONS OF KANSAS.

THE CRACK BASEBALL TEAM OF COMPANY E, SIXTH UNITED STATES INFANTRY, FORT LEAVENWORTH, KAN., WHO ISSUE A CHALLENGE FOR NEXT SEASON.



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HOW THE BOYS OF TROOP I, THIRD CAVALRY, STATIONED AT FORT ASSINNIBOINE, MONT., RIG THEMSELVES UP FOR WHAT THEY CALL A FOOLISH HALF HOUR.



# DARING THIEF AT NIGHT

—WAS THIS CLEVER MAN—

## HONEST WORKMAN BY DAY

A Versatile Criminal With Genius Who Fooled the London Police Force for Years.

HOW HE WAS FINALLY DETECTED AND CAPTURED

He Made Burglary a Science, and if He Had Stuck to His Original System He Would be at Liberty to Continue.

A remarkable man named Parker, who was recently sentenced in London to fifteen months imprisonment, has not only won the highest regard of the Scotland Yard officials, but has demonstrated that fact still holds the lead over fiction, and his story will stimulate the faded imaginations of writers of detective fiction.

For more than four years he has been a crackman in the metropolis, displaying such amazing skill and celerity in looting that at one time—for a period of two months—he is credited with having averaged four burglaries a night, and yet he succeeded in baffling the police. During these years he was held in much esteem in the neighborhood where he lived as an industrious, faithful and efficient workman. In the latter capacity he gained the intimate friendship of several unsuspecting members of the police force, who proved a great assistance to him in eluding detection when the minions of the law were spreading their nets to catch him. His downfall was due entirely to his disregard of one of the cardinal principles which he had laid down for his guidance as a criminal. But so skillfully had he covered up his tracks that although it is certain he had committed hundreds of burglaries, only one could be proved against him. On that account the Judge, much to his regret, was precluded from inflicting a longer sentence.

Parker is only 24 years old, but his plans show him to be possessed of a perverted genius which places him far above mature criminals, however expert, who learn only from experience. In his youth he had been apprenticed to a carpenter and was an excellent workman. When he decided to become a burglar he resolved to still stick to his trade. A great student of criminal literature, he had observed how professional crackmen exposed themselves to suspicion and were compelled to continually shift their ground because they enjoyed no visible means of support. By continuing to work as a carpenter he could avoid being thus handicapped. It necessitated double shifts—carpentering by day and robbing by night—but he was content to make the sacrifice for the sake of the additional security it offered. He allowed himself an occasional holiday, when he took his fling in style, hiring a

that could not easily be identified. Better small and safe hauls than rich hauls was his motto. He played the game alone, that he might run no risk of being caught through the indiscretion of a confederate. Also because it enabled him to keep all the swag himself. He never mixed his trade and his profession. As a carpenter he was an honest man, as well as an efficient one. Houses on which he worked were frequently robbed shortly afterward, and by him, no doubt, but he stoutly resisted all temptations to steal while on a job.

As a workman his reputation was above reproach. He cultivated the police that he might obtain "tips" from them as to what they were doing to lay hold of him. Most of his burglaries were committed in the Highbury district. When their frequency aroused the police to make strenuous efforts to capture the criminal, additional constables and "plain clothes" men would be spread over the neighborhood. Then the mysterious burglaries would suddenly cease, to be renewed when the extra force was withdrawn.

"The only inference," said Detective Inspector Neil, who had charge of the case, "is that Parker learned of the movements of the police through his being in touch with them, and knew exactly what they were doing."

Nature had bestowed upon him a physiognomy that helped him to play the dual role well. His features are of the stolid type of the average British workman who is content to plod through life. There is nothing in his face to reveal the cunning and shrewd intelligence which he possesses. He found it easy to make "pals" of the police, and they never suspected that his outbursts of honest indignation against the mysterious burglar who was causing them so much trouble were feigned.

With his plans so adroitly laid, Parker might have continued to play his dual role of an honest workman and a successful thief for a long time to come had he not succumbed to a temptation which led him to violate his rule of making only safe hauls. One night in October he obtained entrance to the house of a wealthy West Highbury resident by cutting out a pane of glass in the drawing-room window. He was disappointed to find very little money on the premises. On the mantelpiece was a silver clock. He had often passed over valuable clocks before as too dangerous to meddle with, but this one seemed to excite a fatal fascination for him. Or perhaps his long-continued immunity and the ease with which he had baffled the police had made him careless. Anyhow, he decamped with the clock and later committed the further indiscretion of pawning it. The police traced it, and thereby obtained a clue by which, finally, much to their own amazement, they discovered that it had been pawned by Parker, the man with whom several of them had chummed.

"A man of his stamp and genius for crime never reforms in prison," said a Scotland Yard detective. "He will go at it again sure enough when he gets out, but it isn't likely he will settle down to the burglary business again in London; he's too cautious for that. He must have a lot of money salted away somewhere, and very likely he will go to America and resume his career as a crackman over there. If he does, the Yankee police will find him a mighty hard man to nab, and he may fool them as long as he has fooled us."

### PUGILISTS LIKE THE PONIES.

"It's a queer thing how pugilists become infatuated with racing," said a sport follower, recently. "Kid Broad, the best known boxer ever turned out in Cleveland, might be champion of his class to-day but for his weakness for betting on the horses. That boy got so that he would not train properly as long as he was within reach of a racetrack or poolroom. He had a few thousand dollars saved, but lost it all on the races."

"Then there's Kid McCoy. He threw up his match with Twin Sullivan for no other reason than because he is running a book with his brother-in-law at Los Angeles, and doesn't want to take time to train. McCoy's health is all right, but he is infatuated with the racing game."

"There's Jack McAuliffe, the retired champion lightweight, who has always been a crank on race horses. 'Ike Weir, at the top of his class about the same time McAuliffe was in his prime, would talk more horse any day than fight. He was a jockey in Ireland, and has owned horses in this country."

"Frankie Neil, recently defeated for the bantamweight title by Jem Bowker in London, was at one time a jockey. His father is a race horse owner in California and Frankie has an interest in the stable."

"George Gardner, the former light heavyweight champion, was brought up midst a horsey atmosphere in Ireland. Lately he bought a stable for himself and then dropped all his money."

"Billy Thompson, at one time manager of Charley

### Club Swinging is an Art

Which has been explained by Gus Hill and Tom Burrows in their illustrated book on the subject, which is No. 7 of Fox's Athletic Library. Price 10 cents; postage 2 cents extra.

Mitchell, has lost thousands in his endeavors to pick winners. The old middleweight, Dan Creedon, also likes to be near the ponies and for years worked as a bookmaker's clerk.

"Other scrappers who have dabbled in the racing game with varying success are Young Corbett, Terry McGovern, Danny Needham, Denny Lynch and Jim Hall. Joe Vendig, formerly a close follower of fighters, is now paying strict attention to racing."

"Billy Myers, known as the Stretcher Cyclone, quit the ring without a cent. He is now superintendent of the Harlem race track and has the proverbial fortune put away for a rainy day."

If you care to read over the records of the pugilists you will want a "Police Gazette Sporting Annual" for 1905. Fits in your vest pocket. Price 10 cents. Postage 2 cents extra.

### JIU-JITSU IS GREAT.

M. OHASHI: Dear Sir—I am fourteen years of age and have the Jiu-jitsu book published by Richard K. Fox. I have tried this art of self defense on my friends and am surprised at the result. I have succeeded greatly. I am a newboy, and have customers for the POLICE GAZETTE. I have studied this art of wrestling and would like as much information about it as I can get. Please send me as much information as you can, and I would thank you heartily.

Yours truly, AUGUST VETTER.

[There will be a new and more complete book on Jiu-jitsu ready in a short time. The title of it is "Jiu Jitsu Tricks." Watch for announcement.]

### THE FIRST BOXING RULES.

John Broughton, the famous English boxer who was born in 1704, is said to have been the first man to introduce a set of rules for boxing. Before he was 21 years old he established a boxing booth on Tottenham Court road, in London, the sport was scarcely known. Of course, in ancient Greece there was a game of an extremely brutal character, in which the contestants pounded one another with iron disks until one was rendered insensible or killed, generally the latter; but this has no relation whatever to modern boxing in any way. Combats with weapons, swords, javelins and the like were the popular thing in all ages and continued so in England until about the time of George I. when the sword combats began to fall into disfavor as a sport, and while the populace was still chasing strange gods in the hope of finding another pastime to fill its place John Broughton was born and grew to manhood. It may be that fights of some kind between unarmed men may have been held before he appeared on the scene, but it wasn't until he formulated a set of rules that modern boxing was given its right to call existence begun.

This occurred in 1743, and in them for the first time was a rest permitted between short intervals of fighting in order that the contestants could become more or less recuperated. This, as allowed by Broughton's rules, was but half a minute. Broughton continued to maintain his boxing booth in London for many years, and he was the first man who ever called himself champion boxer of England, or anywhere else, for that matter. In 1750, however, he met his Waterloo in an encounter with a butcher named Slack, a man who had never entered a boxing ring before, but who landed one blow on Broughton's eyes that temporarily blinded him, and the fight therefore ended at the expiration of fourteen minutes. Broughton was never able to win back his lost laurels and lived for thirty-nine years in complete obscurity before he died, though not in poverty, for during the days of his championship he had enjoyed the favor of the Duke of Cumberland, second son of the King, and others of royal and noble blood, and through their patronage had amassed a snug fortune with the exhibitions he gave regularly at his booth.

### WHY FIGHTS ARE SHORT.

A party of sports and pugilistic critics were explaining how it was that fights at the present time were shorter than they were ten or fifteen years ago.

In looking over the list of battles decided during the past twelve years the average number of rounds fought was found to have been about twelve. The calculation was based on 20-round bouts. Lately some of the clubs cut the distance down to fifteen rounds. About three out of every ten contests have gone the limit.

Before the Marquis of Queensberry code governed boxing bouts, fights naturally lasted longer. Under London prize ring rules a round was up as soon as a man was floored, or when he took to the boards of his own accord. Under these conditions the battle lasted from forty to fifty rounds, or on an average of from one to three hours.

Figuring the average number of rounds at twelve, the length of time consumed in a modern bout would be 36 minutes, not including the minute's rest, or, all told, 48 minutes. The longest battle decided under Marquis of Queensberry rules was between Andy Bowen and Jack Burke at New Orleans. They fought 110 rounds and were at it in actual fighting for over seven hours. Next came the eighty-eight round fight between Alec Greggains and Buffalo (Martin) Costello at Coney Island. These mills were held during a time when training methods were not as advanced as they are to-day and when finish fights were in vogue.

A number of finish fights are held weekly in New York. The regulation size gloves are used yet most of the mills are over before the fifteenth round. It cannot be said that the modern fighter is more muscular than the oldtimer. But he certainly knows more about the game.

Sam Fitzpatrick, who is a trainer of experience and ability, was asked for his opinion on the subject. Fitzpatrick thought that the whole secret was in the training and gave his reasons.

"The fighter of to-day prepares for a mill in a scientific way," said Sam, "while the oldtimer trained in too rigorous a fashion. There was little study of the individual, and he was put through the preliminary paces of the preparation for the bout according to fixed and what were really brutal rules. He had no set hours for work. He labored hard, but it was more like torture than training. Present time mentors have a system, to be sure, but they let their men have some sway. They do not bound their charges as the handlers of the old champions did. As a consequence their men are willing to train and soon get into excellent condition."

### NOTES OF THE PUGILISTS

James Britt has bought several handsome flats in San Francisco.

Joe Gans is assisting Young Corbett to get in shape for his fight with Battling Nelson.

Young Mowatt, of Chicago, is matched to meet Kid Sullivan, of Baltimore, at Oshkosh, Wis.

Chester Goodwin has suddenly developed the idea that he will not fight unless it is at the featherweight limit, 122 pounds. Art Simms offered him all



LOUIS GROSSMAN.

An Expert Shoemaker of Butte, Mont., who issues a Challenge to Anyone in the Business to Engage in a Speed Contest with him.

kinds of inducements, but Chester would have none of his game and refused to meet him under any old conditions.

Benny Yanger and Abe Attell will probably meet in New Orleans La., the latter part of March.

Eddie Lenny failed to appear at Salem, Mass., on Feb. 6, where he was scheduled to meet Kid Goodman.

Tom Sharkey will try his hand at the wrestling game and will probably meet Frank Gotch in a handicap match.

Owen Moran recently received the decision over Digger Stanley at the National Sporting Club, of London, England.

Willie Lewis is still after Jimmy Britt, and the way he handled Jimmy Briggs recently entitles him to some consideration.

Pinky Evans, who was to have met Rouse O'Brien at Brockton, Mass., on Feb. 8, was taken sick, and the bout was postponed indefinitely.

Harry Harris, of Chicago, who whipped Pedlar Palmer in England a few years ago, has been promised a match with Abe Attell or Tommy Murphy.

Tommy Lowe, of Washington, put Patsy Corrigan, of Trenton, N. J., to sleep in four rounds of a bout that was carded to go fifteen, at Washington, D. C., recently.

Jimmy Britt, in a letter to the "Police Gazette," states that he will meet the winner of the Corbett-Nelson contest in March, and he may possibly box in Philadelphia before then.

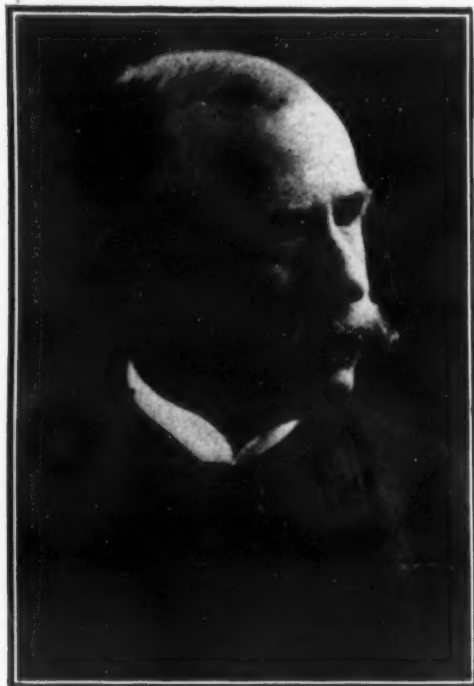
Jim Scanlon, the Pittsburg heavyweight, who saw Jabez White box in England, predicts that the Englishman will defeat Britt should they meet, if they agree to clean breaks, as they do abroad.

Rufe Turner, the colored California lightweight who made good in Philadelphia, is still on the Coast unable to get on a fight. Rufe says they all side-step when it comes to arranging a match. He will meet any of them at 130 to 135 pounds.

Jem Bowker and Pedlar Palmer have signed articles to box twenty three-minute rounds at 124 pounds, the stakes at issue being \$500 a side and a purse of \$1,750 offered by the National Sporting Club of London. The match will be decided on Monday, March 20.

### Muscles are Developed

By club swinging. No. 7 of Fox's Athletic Library by Gus Hill and Tom Burrows, both champions, tell all there is to know. It is illustrated. Price 10 cents; postage 2 cents extra.



FRANK A. ROBBINS.

The Veteran Circus Man who is Arranging to Take a Tour Next Season with the "Newest and Greatest All-Feature Show."

fashionable turnout for the purpose; but when he thus disported himself it was remote from the scenes of his toils and plunder.

The premises he occupied consisted of a bedroom, sitting room and workshop. His rooms were neatly, but not extravagantly furnished. There was nothing about them to show that he had other means than his trade of adding to his income. To assist him in his double role he fixed up a secret rear entrance by means of which he could obtain access to the street by traversing the back yards of his neighbors. Thus he escaped the suspicion which attaches to a man who is known to keep all sorts of hours. So well did he conceal his nocturnal movements that among his friends he enjoyed an exemplary reputation as a man who never stayed out late of nights.

In his burglaries he displayed remarkable prudence. His reading had taught him that thieves were oftenest run down by tracing the stolen property. Therefore he made it a rule to take only money or small articles

BATTLING NELSON, Chicago Lightweight--GREAT HALFTONE SUPPLEMENT NEXT WEEK



# THE NAVY DRILL THE REAL THING

It May Seem Very Simple at First Glance, But Try  
it and You Will Soon Find Out.

## DEVELOPS EVERY MUSCLE IN THE BODY

The Peculiar Manner in Which a School Teacher of Wisconsin Happened  
to Take up the "Police Gazette" System of Physical Culture.

By TOM SHARKEY.—SERIES NO. 13.

A man whom I know very well and whom I have known for a long time, said to me, when these exercises first appeared:

"What are you doing? Teaching a kindergarten class now?"

"No," I replied. "Why?"

"Well, I saw some pictures of you in the POLICE GAZETTE and I thought you were going through some stunts for the benefit of the kids."

"You're one of the fellows I want to prove something to," said I.

And then I took him into a room and put him through some of the movements of the navy drill.

At the fourth exercise his wind was gone and at the fifth he quit.

"How do you like it," I asked.

"It's tougher than I thought," he said.

I don't want any better argument than that.

Show me a man who can go through these exercises properly, and I'll show you man who is physically all right.

He may not have the muscles of a Sandow, and he

best exercises they have ever known, and they declare there is not a weak spot in them.

Among the list is a school teacher of Baraboo, Wis., and he writes a rather interesting letter:

"As you would infer, my work is very confining, and for some time past I have felt the need of some kind of physical exercise. I have kept putting it off because I did not know just where to begin, and the fact that I am now at work on the navy drill came about in a very peculiar way.

"I saw one of my older scholars surreptitiously reading a paper while the class was in session, and I took it from him. It was the POLICE GAZETTE. After school hours I glanced over it and noticed the drill. That night I began my exercising, and I have kept it up ever since, getting the paper every Thursday from a local news dealer.

"If I had my way I would place those exercises in every school in the country and would have it made a part of the curriculum.

"They have done me a world of good and I propose to keep them up. I am thankful I discovered them."

After that, what more is there to say? But keep it up.

You will never get results at anything unless you stick. First find out what you are going to do and then keep it up until you succeed.

You can see failures in life no matter which way you look, and 999 out of every 1,000 failures are men who couldn't or wouldn't stick at any one particular thing.

Yours truly,  
THOS. J. SHARKEY.

### LEWIS TO THE GOOD.

By an agreement that, if both men were on their feet and able to continue at the end of the fifteen rounds, Willie Lewis, of New York, was deprived of a victory over Jimmy Briggs, of Chelsea, at the Douglas A. C., Boston, Mass., on Feb. 7.

Lewis appeared to be the heavier and he had the advantage of several inches in height and reach, and these natural advantages coupled with his superior cleverness, enabled him to completely outpoint the stocky Chelsea boy in all but two rounds. Lewis constantly jabbed, and his long snappy left stopped the rushes of Briggs a number of times.

There was a noticeable difference in the styles of the two fighters. Lewis was clever and shifty and

remarkably fast on his feet, while Briggs was exactly the opposite, depending upon his brute strength to

carry him past the leads of Lewis. Briggs administered severe punishment about the body, ribs and kidneys. He kept boring in from the first to the fourteenth round, and his bulldog tenacity bothered Lewis not a little. Briggs is said to have just recovered from an attack of the grip and his condition was not of the best, for during the latter part of the fight he tired perceptibly and in the last two rounds was very weak.

This was especially true in the last round, when Lewis went after his man like a tiger. He drove him around the ring with terrific right-hand uppercuts to the jaw and nearly had Briggs out when the bell sounded. If Lewis had begun earlier in the fight he must surely have won. The bout was called a draw by Referee Sheehan.

The fighting records of Lewis and Briggs will be found in the "Police Gazette Sporting Annual" for 1905. Price 10 cents; postage 2 cents extra.

### GILBERT AND MORAN ROUGH IT.

In a rough-and-tumble fight, in which the contestants did everything but bite each other, Kid Gilbert was awarded the decision over Todo Moran, of Brooklyn, in the ninth round on a foul, before the Nonpareil A. C., at Baltimore, Md., on Feb. 7.

It was one of the fiercest fights between little men ever witnessed in that city. Up to the time that the decision was given honors were even. Gilbert was the aggressor throughout, but Moran proved himself the cleverer of the two.

In the third round Moran continually jabbed his knee in Gilbert's groin. In the following round the Kid retaliated by doing the same thing. After this it was a rough-and-tumble affair, and in the sixth round Moran deliberately threw Gilbert over the ropes. The Baltimore boy then began to use his feet, and soon had Moran's shins sore.

The battle became so hot in the eighth round that the police jumped in the ring. In the ninth round Moran threw his right arm around Gilbert's neck and struck him repeatedly with his left in the groin, when the referee stopped the bout and gave it Gilbert.

### KELLY LOST ON A FOUL.

After five rounds of terrific milling at Grand Rapids, Mich., on Feb. 7, Referee Lynch awarded Mike Ward, of Sarnia, the decision over Jimmy Kelly, of New York, on a foul before the Olympia Club, in a bout scheduled for ten rounds. Ward went into the ring at 136 pounds, the lightest he has ever fought at, while Kelly weighed 144, six pounds overweight. Kelly had the advantage in the first round, but from then on it was Ward's fight. Kelly courted certain defeat by fouling repeatedly in the clean break rule.

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Read Chuck Connors's great book, **Bowery Life**, and see the pictures of **Chuck and Slat**. They are the limit. Price 25 cents; postage 4 cents extra.

### A RUSIE MAN FOR THE YANKEES

J. H. Whitley, of Sandborn, Ind., is one of the young pitchers recently added to the Yankee team. Whitley played last year with the Vincennes (Ind.) Club, of the K. I. T. League, and his work on the slab was of such general excellence that it attracted the attention of Manager Clarke Griffith, and Whitley was drafted from the Vincennes Club last fall.

Whitley is a protégé of Amos Rusie, the famous "Hoosier Cyclone," and the latter was so much taken with his work and the promise he gave of becoming a star that he coached him all one season. Rusie says of the new pitcher: "Whitley is the most promising youngster I ever saw handle a ball, and he has as much speed as I when I was in my prime and at my best. He also has a good head and an assortment of curves that I think will astonish some of the old timers. I make the prediction that he will jump right to the top in his first year in the big league."

### JIU-JITSU FOR THE GIANTS.

The latest baseball news is to the effect that when the Giants start South on their training trip they will be accompanied by a Japanese ball player, who is said to be just as good with the willow as with his jiu-jitsu.

This ambitious ball player from the Land of the Rising Sun answers to the name of Shumza Sugimoto, and is so anxious to "make good" that he has consented to alter his name to suit the official scorers, if that be necessary to save time in writing down his record.

Sugimoto is twenty-three years of age and played last year on the Cuban Giants. He is an outfielder. The young Jap is now engaged as a masseur at Hot Springs and in this way met McGraw and the other ball players. They took him out to practice one day and according to their statements found him "all to the good." He can hit, run and field in first-class style.

While McGraw does not now expect the Jap to make the team, he has consented to take him on the training trip and see what there is in him.

Sugimoto is a jiu-jitsu expert, and while exhibiting his prowess in a club room at Hot Springs recently came near breaking the neck of Mike Donlin. Mr. Sugimoto weighs only 118 pounds, but, it is said, can handle a man who tips the scales at 175. He promised McGraw that if he should make good he would not attempt the jiu-jitsu on visiting teams, except when the bases were full and there had to be "something doing."

It has been practically settled that Boston will be the team to face the Giants at the Polo Grounds in the opening game of the season on April 14. Since Tenney ac-

cepted the management of the Boston club the team has been materially strengthened. Besides several youngsters, Fraser and Wolverton have been signed.

### AMERICUS MADE ATHERTON QUIT

For the first time in his professional career of fifteen years, Ed Atherton, of New York, has been obliged to cry quits and give up a bout. This occurred in the third minute of the second bout of his wrestling match with Americus, at Baltimore, Md., Feb. 8.

The first bout, which was catch-as-catch-can, lasted twenty-three minutes, and resulted in a fall for Americus. During its progress the wrestlers became en-



WILLIAM D. RINK.

A Popular Horseman of Aurora, Ill., with his Great Mare, Gertie B., who has Crossed the Line First in Many of the Fox River Circuit Meets.

tangled on the mat and rolled off on the floor. Atherton wrenched his knee severely, but pluckily wrestled on. An additional fifteen minutes was allowed him after the first bout and he tried again. In a tackle, Americus got hold of the injured leg, causing Atherton to scream with pain, and he was forced reluctantly to give up.

### WHITE BESTS CAMPBELL.

Cub White and Vernon Campbell, both of Philadelphia, fought a hard battle at the Wilmington (Del.) A. C. Casino, on Feb. 8, and White had the better of the argument by a close margin.

White landed straight lefts repeatedly on Campbell's jaw, but the latter was game and had great endurance. He landed several wicked blows on White's stomach, but without much success. In the first round honors were about even, but in the second, third and fourth White had the better of it. In the fifth Campbell got in some hard blows and repeated his tactics in the first part of the sixth. Both fighters were groggy when the gong closed the bout.

The preliminaries were all good, the first of them being a six-round draw between Mike Loughlin, of Philadelphia, and Bob Wright, colored, also of that city.

Young Griffo and Young Jack O'Brien, of Philadelphia, fought six hard rounds. In the beginning of the second round O'Brien was seen to be very weak and as Griffo came at him with terrific left hand swings he could not avoid them and received awful punishment. He was bleeding from both nose and mouth. In the third round Griffo sent a right hand swing to O'Brien's face that dazed him for a few seconds, but after mustering up renewed vigor he held his ground, although very groggy. In the sixth round O'Brien was barely able to stand and the sound of the gong saved him from getting knocked out by a left hand jab on the jaw that sent him reeling to the ropes.

### AMATEURS IN PHILADELPHIA.

About fifty amateur boxers gave exhibition bouts at the Eagle tournament, Philadelphia, on Feb. 7. Bert Crowhurst and Billy Reynolds acted as referees. Some of the bouts were very exciting. One of the most promising of the lads who took part was Young Hockey, in the 108-pound class.

Some of the winners follow: In the 108-pound class, Harry Campbell beat Eddie Lenny, Young Dougherty beat Jimmy Howard, Kid Clark beat John Hallahan, Joe Goodwin beat Eddie Young, George Hanlon beat Kid Steel. In the 118-pound class, Young Ward beat Harry Cook, Eddie Murphy beat Joe O'Hara. In the 130-pound class, Jack Welsh beat Terry Dunn, Kid Broad beat Kid Davis, Tom Daly beat Jack Nelson.

### IN THE LAND OF THE RED SKIN.

Not in the red man's Elysium, beyond the dark stream of death, but in that alluring, game-filled sportsman's Elysium, the beautiful Indian Territory, were two perfect weeks of my well-earned vacation passed.

Game was plentiful; we had only to elect what we would shoot. Of such small game as quail, plover and the elusive prairie chicken we had our pick and choice. We bagged many a "Bob White" each day, and scores of plover.

Along the quiet streams we found wild duck and the festive gobbler, until eating them palled upon the appetite, and we shipped many a quail and Thanksgiving turkey to our friends in the city.—From "The Happy Hunting Grounds," by F. E. Crofford, in *Four-Track News* for January.

### Two Great Club Swingers.

Gus Hill and Tom Burrows, are the joint authors of the *Art of Club Swinging*, No. 7 of Fox's Athletic Library; a book that every man ought to have. Price 10 cents; postage 2 cents extra.

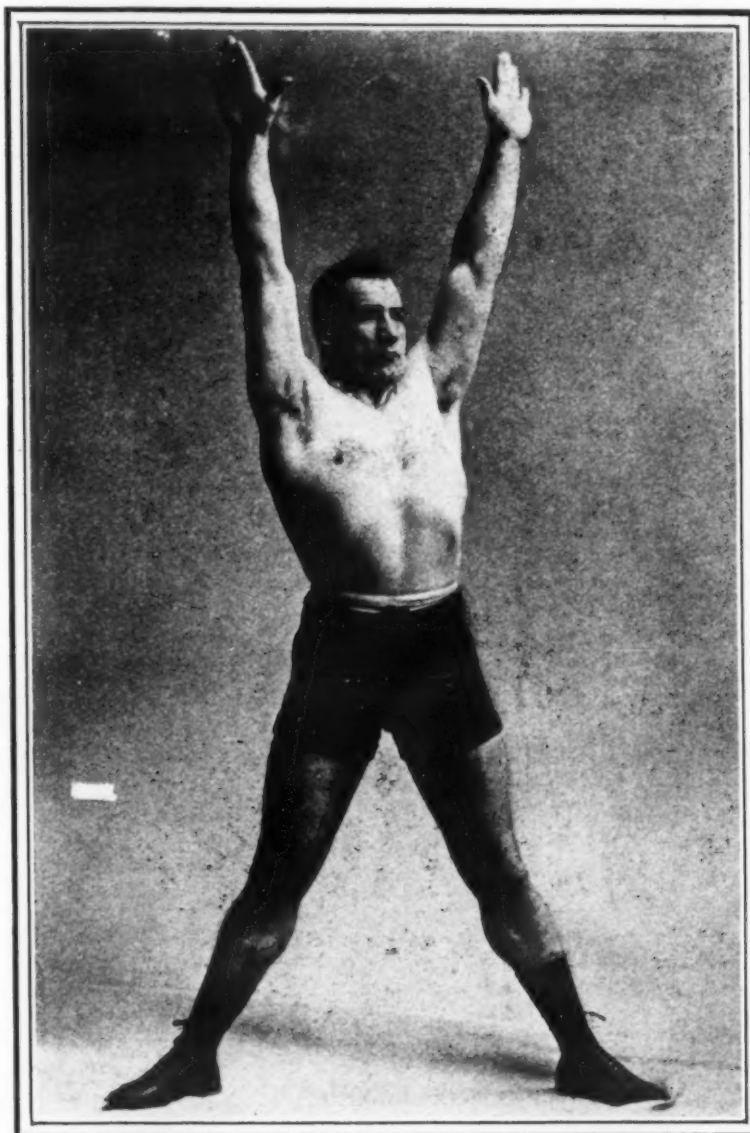


PLATE NO. 22.

Exercise No. 22.—Stand at position and rise on the toes; back to position again. For the third move jump, bring the feet as far apart as possible without straining the thighs, at the same time throwing the arms upward. Then jump back to the original position. This is an excellent exercise for the calves and the inside muscles of the thighs.

may not be able to fight like Jeffries, but he will be able to take good care of himself under ordinary circumstances.

When I started on this series I intended it to be for the young men, but I have now a bigger class than I expected, and among them are lawyers, doctors, bankers, business men, and strangely enough a blacksmith.

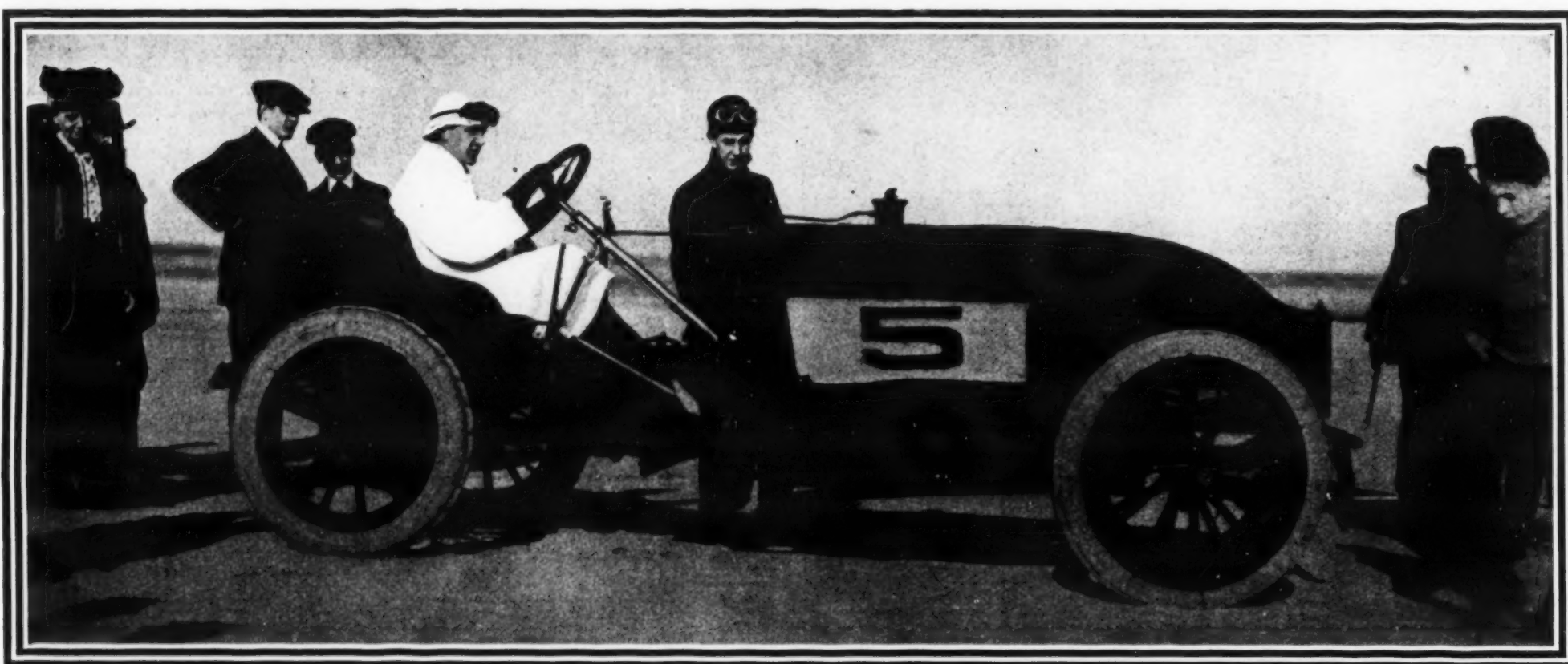
These intelligent men have told me that these are the

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SPORTSMEN WHO FIGURED CONSPICUOUSLY IN THE RECENT MEET AT ORMOND BEACH, FLA.





UP IN THE AIR.

A FORE AND AFT RIGGED ICE YACHT TAKING A CRITICAL TURN IN AN EXCITING RACE ON THE SHREWSBURY RIVER, NEAR RED BANK, N. J.



A TOUGH JOB FOR THE FIREMEN.

THE HARDY MEN OF THE NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT FIGHTING A STUBBORN BLAZE ON SOUTH STREET, DURING THE RECENT BLIZZARD.



# BATTLING NELSON WILL

—THEIR DIFFERENCES SATISFACTORILY SETTLED—

## MEET YOUNG CORBETT

Under the Auspices of the Hayes Valley A. C. the Little Boxers Can Adjust Their Opposing Views.

### BOB FITZSIMMONS REFUSES TO BE SIDE-TRACKED

Jimmy Walsh Coming Along the Line—Hackenschmidt on His Way to Dispute Frank Gotch's Title—Delaney says Ball's Offer is a Joke.

The hitch which threatened to prevent the match between Young Corbett and Battling Nelson has been straightened out to the satisfaction of all parties interested, and the fight will take place as originally scheduled on next Tuesday night (Feb. 28). The two lads compromised their little differences and, one day two weeks ago met Morris Levy, of the Hayes Valley Club. There was little ceremony about the matter. Nelson said he would accept 50 per cent of the gross receipts, providing Corbett would split the purse 75 and 25. Levy announced that these terms were agreeable to Corbett, who was ready to let the winner take all if the Dane wished it. Nelson replied that he thought the loser ought to have something, and he considered 25 per cent about right. During the conference it leaked out that Jimmy Britt had suffered a change of heart and was prepared to fight Corbett this month if Nelson was unwilling. This occasioned no little surprise in view of the fact that Britt had repeatedly declared that he had no desire to fight until March. Jimmy was given to understand that he was too late and that Nelson and Corbett would be engaged. February 28 was looked upon as a suitable date for the mill. No referee was selected, but it is likely that Jack Welch will be the man. His name was suggested, and it seemed to be received with favor by both sides. Jack is certainly well qualified for the position. His decisions have invariably met with the approval of the spectators.

Nelson would have preferred a battle with Jimmy Britt to one with Young Corbett. Jimmy and the Dane profess to have utter contempt for each other's punishing powers, but Nelson doesn't attempt to belittle Corbett's talents as a fierce thumper. He says, in fact, that Corbett is a good fellow to avoid.

Despite his two defeats, Young Corbett retains his hold upon the hearts of the 'Frisco fight patrons. Like many others, he has become more popular in adversity than he was when at the head of his class. He always has a cordial greeting when he hobs up in the ring for presentation to the crowd at the fights held in San Francisco. On the last occasion—the Nell-Hyland go—three cheers were given in his honor. The sports of San Francisco seem to recognize that he is making a conscientious effort to regain a firm hold, and they seem inclined to encourage him. If he could regain his laurels by beating Nelson and Britt, the sky wouldn't be high enough for his limit.

Bob Fitzsimmons doesn't intend to be side-tracked in any little arrangement that Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Tommy Ryan make. He is quoted as saying that the idea of Ryan and O'Brien settling the middleweight championship between them makes him tired. "Any time they try that," said Fitz, "I intend to be on hand, and I'll be ready to make 158 pounds for either of them." After saying that he was ready to take another try at Jeffries, Fitz told the following about a bout he claims to have had with Jim Corbett in this city:

"As for Corbett," said he, "why, I'll tell you a little unwritten history about him. It was during the time that Corbett and I were friendly after our last fight. I was in New York with a well-known sporting man, and he proposed that we meet Corbett and the two of us go a few rounds in private—just sparring you know. I was agreeable, and so was Corbett, so we stripped at a well-known athletic club and went at it.

"So help me, instead of sparring, Corbett began to do his hardest. He wanted to knock me out. Well, I held my own for two rounds, and then I went after him. He was all in at the finish of the fourth round, and had to stop. There's a man that I could lick before breakfast every morning, and do it just as an appetizer."

Maybe, but it's strange that that story never saw the light of publicity before.

Jimmy Walsh is a little lad who is coming along the line fast enough to warrant the prediction that he will one day be the professional champion. He is a fighter who established for himself a reputation in one jump. Walsh not so very long ago was fighting in 105-pound amateur tournaments at Boston. Then he turned professional, and defeated all the youngsters of his weight that were pitted against him. He sought new worlds to conquer and went across to England, and by drinking plenty of English ale, came back to America much stronger and with considerable chance. Walsh

was the luckiest of the bunch, however. He got on with Jim Bowker, champion bantamweight of England, and fought twenty hard rounds to a draw, which gave him a chance to claim that he had been robbed out of the decision when he returned home. When Frankie Neil went to England and lost a twenty-round decision to the same Bowker, Walsh's stock went skyward with a bound.

Frank Gotch's standing as the premier wrestling champion of America will be disputed when George Hackenschmidt, the Russian expert, who has amazed the people of all Europe by his skill, comes to America. He is on his way here now from Australia,

and declares that nothing can dissuade him from trying it after he wrestles the Russian Lion. Gotch claims to have knocked out Frank Slavin in seven rounds during his stay in the Klondike. "I have had some experience in the ring," says Gotch, "and I like the game. I was a novice when I met Slavin, and he gave me a terrible beating for a few rounds. I took my bumps, however, and finally wore the Australian out and put him away with a left swing to the jaw. Judging from my experience with the mitts, I believe I can pick up the finer points of the game quickly. I like boxing, and I know I can do anything in that line that is shown me. I will meet Kid McCoy at Hot Springs in a few weeks and have a try-out with him. Then we can arrange plans accordingly."

We haven't heard anything more about that \$25,000 purse which Clark Ball offered for a fight in Panama between Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Bob Fitzsimmons, and the supposition now is that Ball was only making an advertising bluff on his own personal account. Billy Delaney is inclined to regard Ball's proposition as a joke. Delaney was in Panama once and is inclined to the belief that a \$2,500 purse will be the limit.

"Twenty-five thousand dollars," said Delaney, "is \$50,000 of Panama money, and outside the American colony on the Isthmus there is not that much money in any bank. The digging of the canal might cause many Americans to flock down there, but they will not be of the class that would fill a house to the \$25,000 mark. Clark Ball is either unfamiliar with the country or some one is fooling him."

Delaney is under the impression that the fight talk from Panama was caused by a boxing club formed to enable the soldiers to meet.

The old scythe wielder has just gathered in another distinguished exponent of the fistic art. Prof. Van Slyke, of New York, who during his career probably taught 5,000 men the art of self-defense.

Old Ben Van Slyke, as he was familiarly known, has been an instructor in boxing on Broadway for the last fifty years, and for a long time had his gymnasium in Daly's Theatre Building. His pupils included bankers, brokers, actors and professional men and at one time

dorment of all who have the best interests of the youngsters' early training at heart. That boys should know how to take care of themselves is important, and when good men can be obtained to teach them how to put up their hands and use them in self-defense or the defense of others the results will be most beneficial.

"It will not be necessary to expend any great amount of money to put this new plan into operation, for two skilled boxers could easily demonstrate to a class of a thousand.

"Then, too, I think this measure, if passed, would be found to have a very appreciable effect in reducing crime, for children of foreigners who are now brought up to use knives in settling their differences, would quickly grasp the American method of having it out in a much less harmful way with their fists."

We have not been able to find reliable evidence to support the rumor that President Roosevelt is the actual author of the bill.

Whether the President is morally responsible for the bill is quite another question. We incline to believe that he is. Mr. Roosevelt is a boxer himself, from the headwaters of Box Creek. He teaches boxing in his own household, and is himself a pupil of Professors Donovan and Dwyer. Both of these learned educators agree that their favorite pupil is a shifty man of his weight, and has a punch worth going miles to get out of the way of. He boxes, they say, because he likes it, and because he finds it good for him. He finds it good for his sons also, and when he isn't taking lessons from Professor Mike he is giving them to young Teddy and the boys.

California boxing promoters are trying hard to arouse interest in a heavyweight contest, which would have Jack Johnson and Marvin Hart for principals. It has been Hart's practice at recent boxing shows to join the procession of visiting bruisers and domestic mitt artists who pass in and out of the ring and remain just long enough to be introduced and tossed off a few challenges. On such occasions Hart generally announces through the official megaphonist that he is prepared to box any man in the world. Just as sure as he does so dusky faced Jack Johnson will hop up on the ring platform and proclaim the fact that he accepts "Mr. Hart's challenge." This seems to be the prelude to further declaration of the intention on the part of Hart and Johnson.

A few weeks ago Johnson spoke of going to Australia. He built on making a match with Peter Felix, a strapping colored fellow, who has been one of the leading heavies in that far country for years. Unfortunately for Johnson's plans, Felix was knocked into a cocked hat a month or two ago by a husky novice named Squires.

Should Johnson make the trip to the Antipodes he may get on with Squires, but he has no assurance that the new man will not draw the color line. There is a suspicion existing that Squires is being coached along in the hope that he will develop into a worthy opponent for Jeffries, and if such is the case he may be advised to sidestep Johnson and all dangerous strangers for a while.

California fight promoters are struggling hard to prevent the passage of a legislative measure which threatens to put an end to boxing in the State. The game is in a tottery way and every crooked or suspicious circumstance that has happened for twenty years is being taken up, and danced before the eyes of the faithful few who would like to save the game.

According to letters from California, the Ralston anti-fight bill is going through the California Legislature at full speed, and the long-whiskered members from the rhubarbs, when asked why they want to kill boxing, almost unanimously replied, "It's a crooked game." And when asked to specify the crookedness, more of them cite the long-dead Wyatt Earp robbery than attack the Gans and Britt fiasco.

The anti and hostiles one and all, have been waiting a chance to squelch the fighting game ever since the memorable fight when Wyatt Earp, bad man and gun-fighter, decided that Sharkey had beaten Fitzsimmons through the medium of a foul. That was the rawest thing brought off in California pugilism for many seasons, and there was a brief spasm of honesty after that affair died down. Of late, the promoters have been hitting up the

pace of crookedness at a warmer gait than ever, and now the bars are going to fall with a dull, thumping sound.

The Sharkey-Fitzsimmons fraud was worked with more nerve than was required in the Gans-Britt fizzle, which was done in a most artistic way, with stage settings and frilled trimmings. To get away with a job like the Sharkey-Fitzsimmons play it was decided to fortify the deal with a formidable warrior as referee. Wyatt Earp was made referee, the men who framed it up figuring that nobody would dare to attack the terrible Earp or question the justice of his rulings.

Quite a number of men stood in on that play, and Fitzsimmons says that the chief framer was a politician and newspaper man, whom Bob refers to as "the blooming long green." The fight was pulled off on scheduled time. Fitz lambasted Sharkey merrily and finally handed him the same plaster he gave Corbett. This was the cue for Earp, who decided Sharkey the winner on a low blow, and the howl which followed was the beginning of what now threatens to be the end.

The sporting people of Chester, Pa., are to be congratulated on their ability to discriminate between good and bad boxing matches. When Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Fred Cooley appeared there not long ago to participate in a fight there wasn't people enough in the hall to wad a gun and the match was declared off.

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Gotch, by defeating Tom Jenkins a second time, secured a clear title to the championship of America, and there is no reason why he should not meet the champion Hackenschmidt for the world's title. New York will be the place to decide the match, as the people are interested in wrestling here just now, and they will no doubt give Gotch all the encouragement necessary. He will have the hardest contest of his career on his hands, as the Russian is certainly a wonder in the wrestling line, according to Jack Carkeek and other experts who have met him. It is hoped that when they do meet there will be no wrangling and charges of fake, etc., after the match, such as has occurred many times in the past where important matches have taken place. Let the men meet on the square and let the best man win. The wrestling game can be lifted from the ban hanging over it if the wrestlers but knew it, but most of them are slow to recognize the fact.

Gotch's career as a pugilist will be delayed until after he has had a crack at Hackenschmidt, but he appears to be very much in earnest in his announced intention of becoming a fighter. At the request of several sporting men, he recently put on the gloves with a Cleveland amateur, who is about Gotch's size and almost as heavy, besides being a clever boxer. They boxed three fast rounds, and in one mix-up Gotch put the amateur down with a stiff left-hand punch. Gotch is confident he can do well in the ring,

Gus Hill, Club Swinger, Who is still a champion, has written a book on club swinging, which is the best published. It is illustrated. Price 10 cents; postage 2 cents extra.

his assistant was Mike Donovan, now instructor to President Roosevelt.

Van Slyke was hale and hearty up to within a few weeks of his death, and less than two months ago he accidentally knocked out a 200-pound pupil in a friendly bout. In the realm of fistiana Prof. Van Slyke met and had the personal friendship of the greatest prize fighting champions, including John C. Heenan, Tom Hyer, John L. Sullivan, Jake Kilrain and others up to the present day topnotchers.

To his friends Van Slyke said: "I learned to box 15 years before the Mexican War. You could hardly call it boxing, for we fought with bare knuckles and many a hard knock I took. That's the reason why I have a good fighting chance in this illness, and I don't regret a punch because it made me hard and helped my physique. I have never been a trainer of prize fighters, but I have taught the art of self-defense to more than 5,000 persons. The reason I am strong at eighty-seven years is because I worked hard, played hard and enjoyed myself in moderation."

That beneficial results would follow the education of public school boys in the art of self defense is a fact which bids fair to be adequately exemplified when a bill now pending in the New York State Legislature becomes a law. This bill provides that boxing will be added to the curriculum of public school students.

Senator Luke Keenan, who represents the home district of President Roosevelt, has fathered the measure, which contemplates giving the Board of Estimate and Apportionment power to employ and pay professors to train the boys in the science of the padded mitt. The Senator said, apropos of the subject:

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A. H. C., Brooklyn.—We cannot give you the information you ask.

Dr. J. C. K., Geneva, Ohio.—Your answer appeared in POLICE GAZETTE No. 1436.

G. M., Norfolk, Va.—Was John L. Sullivan ever champion of the world? No.

D. H., St. Louis, Mo.—Was John L. Sullivan ever champion of the world? No.

A. G. B., Baltimore, Md.—Apply to superintendent of race track at Pimlico.

E. L., Long Island City.—What nationality is Joe Choynski? American Hebrew.

H. T. D., Soda Springs, Idaho.—Cannot undertake to answer such a complicated mixup.

T. F. O'K., Washington, D. C.—That is the mode of procedure recognized in all poker clubs.

J. J. D.—Are there any cattle boats going now from New York to Glasgow or Liverpool? Yes.

W. S. R., Montgomery, W. Va.—What is the fastest thing on foot for one mile? A running horse.

F. H. D., New York.—Let me know whether Bobby Walthour ever defeated Hugh McLean? Why is

D. A. C., Duluth, Minn.—Is Jake Kilrain dead or alive? He is alive and at present in Baltimore, Md.

D. C., New York.—What weight is Young America the wrestler? He weighs about the same as you do.

Mrs. C. W., Philadelphia.—1. Cannot give you the names. 2. Write to Secretary of the Navy, Washington.

Reader, Chickasha, I. T.—Which is the fastest trotting horse or mare on record? Lou Dillon, 1:58½.

W. J. C., Newburg, N. Y.—Was Dan Donnelly ever champion of Ireland? Yes, before he fought Cooper.

Geo. H. P., East Alburg, Vt.—Pool, less the \$3, which goes back to man who bet on Stickney, goes to the winner.

W. H., Long Island City.—Your question has been answered and explained in the POLICE GAZETTE a thousand times.

F. P., Washington, D. C.—Who won the game between the Princeton and Army football teams? What is the standing broad jump record? I. Princeton, 2. 14 feet 9 inches.

D. E. S., Emmett, Idaho.—Has Hutchings, of Putney, England, a record as a runner of 300 yards, in 30 seconds? Yes.

C. E. H., Joliet, Mont.—Is there any difference between an inch square and a square inch? Yes, twelve times the difference.

C. and F., Union Hill, N. J.—C bets F that a gold dollar is round; F said it was eight cornered; who is right? It is round.

H. R. W., Youngstown, Ohio.—Did Hackenschmidt ever throw Jenkins, of Cleveland, when Jenkins was abroad? Yes.

J. H., Passaic, N. J.—The "Police Gazette Sporting Annual" record of that fight gives McPartland credit for a knockout in five rounds.

C. F. P., Jeannette, Pa.—What is the twenty-five mile world's running record? G. Mason, professional, 2 hours, 36 minutes and 34 seconds.

P. J. C., Norwich, Conn.—Let me know if Tom Sharkey knocked out Gus Ruhlin in one punch? It was with the first good blow landed.

G. W. G., Baltimore, Md.—Send 10 cents in stamps for "Police Gazette Sporting Annual" containing full records of the pugilists, dates, places, etc.

J. F., Bridgeport, Conn.—Inform me when the first horse race meeting is held in the East? Dates have not been issued at the time of writing this.

C. C., Duluth, Minn.—We have a bet here that Fitzsimmons hits a harder blow than John L. Sullivan? Impossible to tell; no actual tests in existence.

Reader, Newark, N. J.—Where did Corbett and Mitchell fight? Did they box in Madison Square Garden afterwards? Jacksonville, Fla. 2. Yes.

H. E. J., Newport, R. I.—Furnish me the whereabouts of Mr. Seth Griffin, the track builder for horses? Give it up. Perhaps some of our readers can inform you.

O. B. J., Houtzdale, Pa.—Please inform me if XIXCV stands for 1905 or not? 1. MDCCCXV is 1905.

Y. M. A. C., Auburn, Ill.—What was the decision of the Texas McCormack-Sandy Ferguson fight at Hot Springs, Jan. 26? Referee refused to render a decision.

O. P., Lansing, Mich.—I am a young man 26 years old and know a little about boxing; do you think I am too old to start in the business? You are all right to start.

T. F. G., Lexington, Ky.—A says Bjind Boone can play any selection after he heard it once. Does that mean he can play it perfect or just as he heard it? As he heard it.

J. S., Washington, D. C.—Is there any boxing instructor in Washington, D. C., whom I could get to teach me? Inquire of sporting editor of the Washington Post.

H. G. C., Fort Bayard, N. M.—A bets mahogany wood is the hardest, and B bets that oak wood is the hardest? Bet is a standoff. Some oak is harder than mahogany and vice versa.

W. E. S., Lockport, Ill.—Does a straight flush beat four of a kind? What year did John L. Sullivan and Mitchell fight? Was it a draw? 1. Yes. 2. Fought in France in 1888. Was a draw.

H. D. L., Chicago.—Was John L. Sullivan ever champion of the world? Did John L. Sullivan ever knock out Charley Mitchell? 1. No. 2. No. 3. We do not answer questions by mail.

Subscriber, Baltimore, Md.—Why was not John L. Sullivan the champion of the world if he fought Charley Mitchell and won the fight? Mitchell wasn't the recognized champion of England.

E. S. S., Norfolk, Va.—The question involved is whether past records show that a man on a bicycle can beat a man riding a horse, whether a runner or a broncho? Bicycle rider is the faster.

Reader, Brooklyn.—As stakeholder of a wager on the recent Britt-Nelson fight I desire your assistance in deciding bet. There seems to be a misunderstanding on account of no knockout. Was referee's decision equivalent to a knockout in deciding bet? It was not. Man who bet on knockout, loses.

J. N., Milwaukee, Wis.—How old is the card game; and where was it first played? In playing sixty-six; two handed; each player gets six cards, doesn't he; and the rest are laid on the table with the top card as trump, which was diamonds; we got along till all the cards

were gone; and then one player had two trumps, the king and ten spot; and the other fellow queen and ace; the first fellow threw out the king and told the other fellow he must put on the ace if he had it; he had it, but wanted to throw on the queen, because he thought he could get the ten from him with his ace in return; is that right or must he go over it? 1. First played by the Indians. 2. Must go over it.

M. L. D., Linton, Ind.—In a wrestling bout, both men on the mat; one escapes from a chancery hold and obtains a body hold on his opponent from the rear; he



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M. W. H., Bricelyn, Minn.—We are having a dispute here in regard to the age of John L. Sullivan, and have decided to leave it to you, as you undoubtedly can give us his age without much trouble? Born Oct. 15, 1858.

N. S. C., Rockville, Conn.—A bets B that the Frankie Nell-Dick Hyland fight would not go fifteen rounds; who wins? A's contention is that the fight did not last fifteen full rounds? A wins by a fraction of time.

R. K., Chicago.—Who were the fighters who fought the longest battles? Longest bare knuckle fight, 6 hours and 15 minutes, Kelly and Smith, Australia. Longest glove fight, 7 hours and 19 minutes, Bowen and Burke, New Orleans.

D. V., Ottawa.—Don't waste your postage stamps; send them to us and they will be used intelligently. An ampere is the practical unit of electric current, the current being the rate of flow. An ohm is the practical unit of electric resistance.

E. J., Geneva, Ohio.—A bets that John L. Sullivan was conceded, not considered, the champion heavyweight champion of the world, and B bets that he was not? He was conceded to be the best pugilist of his time, but did not actually win the title of world's champion.

A. E. A., St. Louis, Mo.—A, B, C and D playing draw poker; A deals; B has blind; C calls; D raises; B calls raise; C raises back; D calls; then B makes third raise; C calls; D quits; but in meantime, dealer, thinking they had drawn cards, throws away the balance of deck; B has three queens; C three sevens; I claim B and C should divide pot; B thinks he is entitled to the pot? B wins.

F. T. & A. C., Bronx, N. Y.—Draw poker; seven playing; A is dealing in a jack-pot; B passes; C passes; D passes; E passes; F opens for \$1.00; G stays for \$1.00; A passes; D stays for \$1.00; D draws one card first; F draws three cards; G a last to draw cards; when G stays he had only looked at part of his cards and saw three jacks; the dealer asks him how many cards he wanted, G says one and almost in the same breath he says to the dealer to hold on, this is before G has discarded and before he has looked at all his hand; G is the last to receive cards and claims that as he was last and had not looked at all of his hand or had not discarded and corrected the dealer just as soon as possible, he should not be compelled to weaken his hand and take the card that the dealer had laid off for him; all agree that the dealer had no right to give cards to G until he had discarded? Must take the card.

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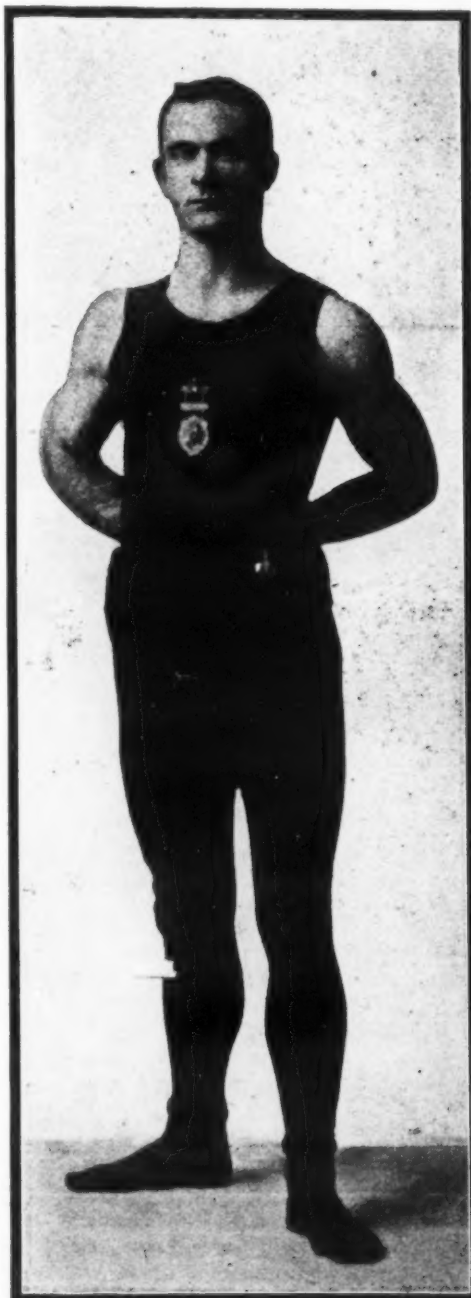
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## CHALLENGES

[The challenge editor will be pleased to publish all legitimate challenges in all sports, such as boxing, wrestling, skating, bowling, swimming, bicycling, walking, running, jumping, etc., etc.]

John Duncan, a juggling banjoist, of Louisville, Ky., challenges any one to meet him.

Kid Wise, of Rochester, N. Y., is after a match with any 135-pound boxer, bar none.

Ed Hassenbrook, of Louisville, Ky., claims to own the best pit bull in the State, and is willing to arrange a match.

John J. O'Connor, of 1225 E street, N. W., Washington, D. C., will match Tommy Lowe against any boxer in the country at 126 pounds.

Warren Travis, the middleweight back-lifting champion, and winner of the POLICE GAZETTE \$1,000 diamond medal, is open for challenges.

Sergt. Berry Bomar, captain of Co. E base-ball team, of Fort Leavenworth, Kan., champions of the State, issues a challenge for all teams for next season.

Harvey Parker, who looks after the interests of Fred Beel, is still waiting to hear from the Cuban Wonder regarding a match at catch-as-catch-can style.

Hubert Burke, of 2940 E. Thompson street, Philadelphia, on behalf of Billy Burke, champion welterweight of Philadelphia, challenges any welterweight white boxer in the country.

Tommy Daly, the Baltimore boxer, is after a match with Willie Lewis, who recently knocked out Martin Canole. Daly is ready to meet the New Yorker at any time and for any number of rounds.

Dick Hyland, who was the amateur 122-pound champion of the Pacific Coast, until he turned professional and fought Frankie Neil, desires to issue a challenge through the POLICE GAZETTE to any boxer in his class.

Kid Ryan, of Naugatuck, Conn., an aspiring 126-pound boxer, will meet anyone at the weight mentioned for any number of rounds, and Young Carter, also from the Nutmeg State, is anxious for a match in the lightweight division.

Charles Billman, manager of Billy Maharg, would like to match his protegee with Abe Attel, before any of the Philadelphia clubs, from 122 to 126 pounds, and is ready to post a forfeit for any amount demanded for weight and appearance.

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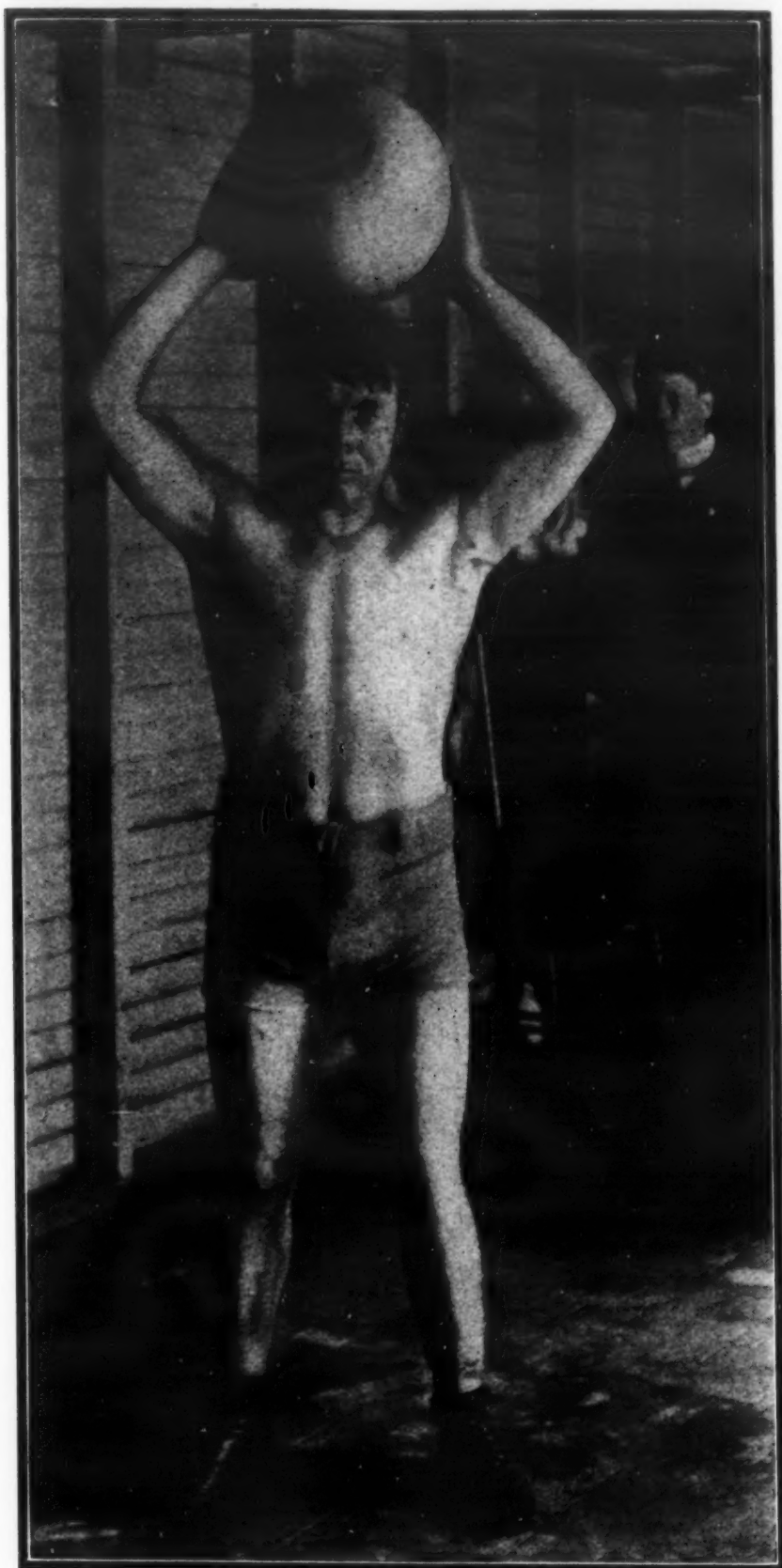
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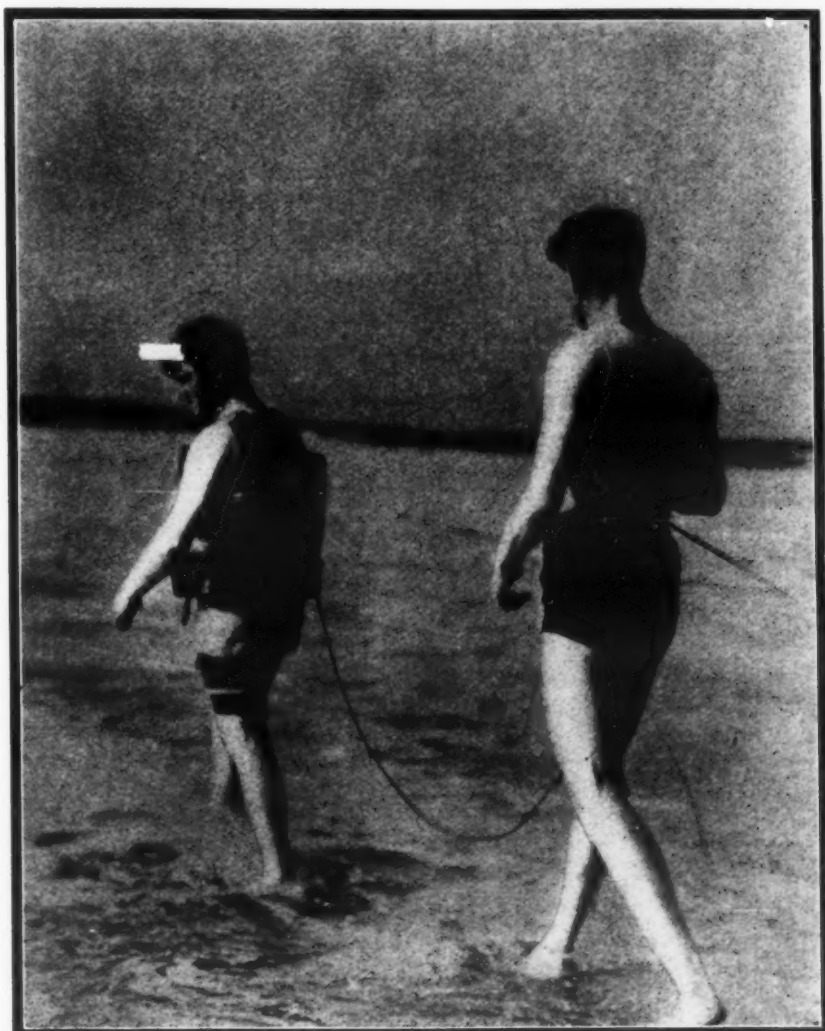




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### GOTCH TRIES BOXING.

Frank Gotch was to have boxed a ten-round tryout with a husky heavyweight, Sam Williams, at the Buf-

falo (N. Y.) Gymnasium on Feb. 10, but the contest ended in the fifth round. Gotch had landed several hard punches on Williams' body. As they broke away from a clinch Gotch hooked his right to the head. Williams fell, and in doing so twisted his shoulder. When he went to his corner it was seen he could not continue. His shoulder was sprained.

The first round was tame. They boxed lightly. The second was fast. Gotch began to work. He did most of the leading and rushing. Sam jabbed Gotch, but the wrestler invariably ducked his head, the blow either going over his back or glancing off. Williams did better at long range.

When they mixed it up, Gotch showed his strength. He walloped hard with his right and guarded masterly with his left.

The fourth round was all Gotch's. He landed when and where he pleased. Once Gotch rocked his man's head with a left swing that landed high. Toward the end of the round Williams weakened from several hard body blows Gotch drove home.

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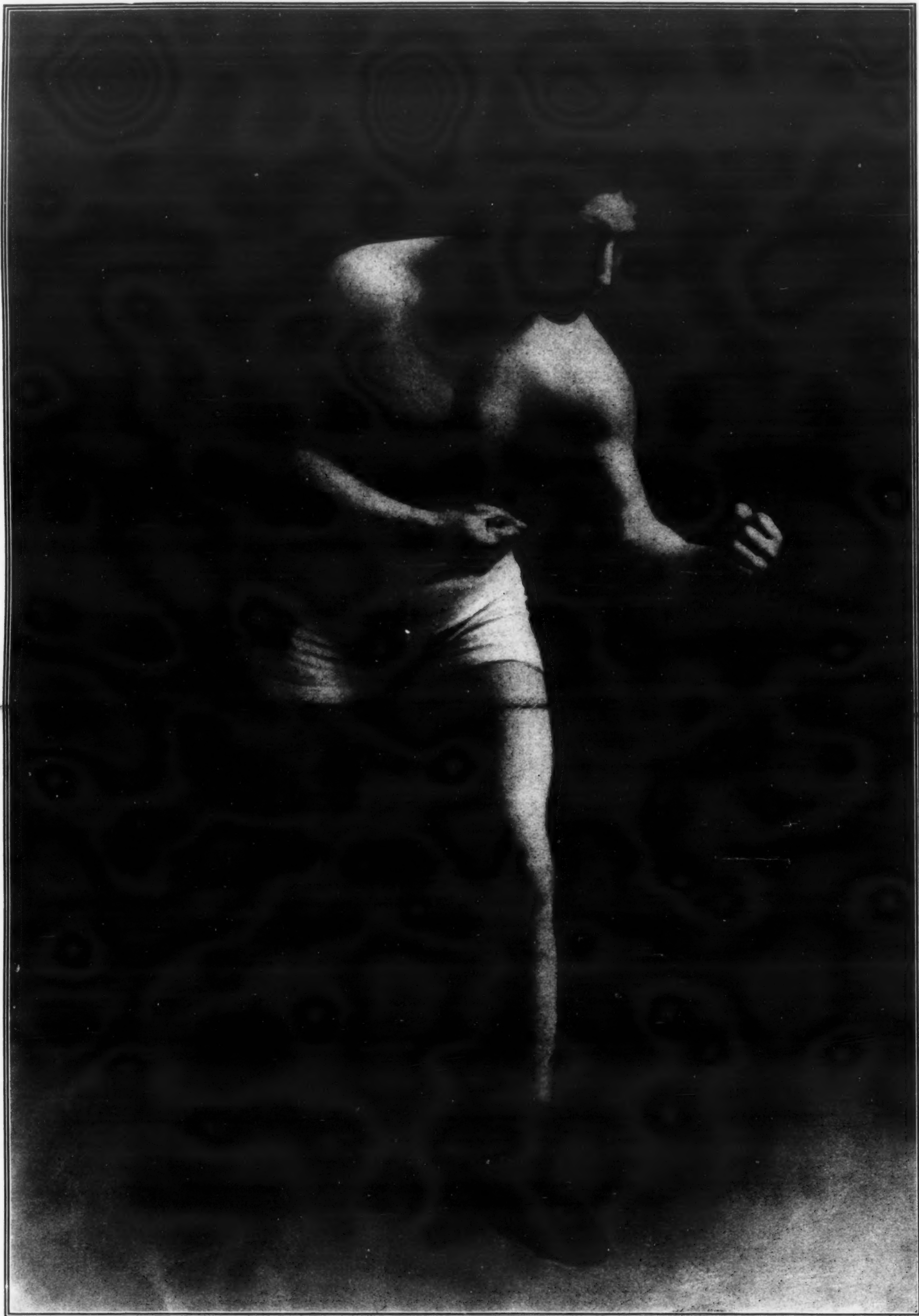
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